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US ASAT DELEGATION 0015

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NASA FOR KRUGER

E. O. 11652: XGDS-3
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SUBJ: ASAT TALKS: PRESS RELEASE

1. BUCHHEIM AND KHLESTOV AGREED ON JUNE 15 THAT NO
ADDITIONAL MEETINGS WERE NEEDED FOR THIS SESSION AFTER
MEETING HELD LATE AFTERNOON JUNE 15, BUT LEFT OPEN
POSSIBILITY OF MORNING MEETING ON THE FINAL DAY OF
SESSION, JUNE 16, AT REQUEST OF EITHER SIDE (USSR
DELEGATION PLANS TO DEPART HELSINKI ON AFTERNOON
TRAIN ON JUNE 16). THEY FURTHER AGREED THAT BOTH
SIDES HAVE LEARNED ENOUGH ABOUT EACH OTHER'S BASIC
APPROACH AND VIEWS TO PERMIT APPROPRIATE INDEPENDENT

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CONCLUSIONS CONCERNING DIRECTION OF WORK IN
PREPARATION FOR NEXT SESSION, WHICH WILL BE SCHEDULED
BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT VIA DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS.

2. IT WAS AGREED THAT THE FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE
WOULD BE RELEASED ON JUNE 17 IN WASHINGTON, MOSCOW,
AND HELSINKI AT 4:00 P.M. HELSINKI TIME (10:00 A.M.

WASHINGTON, 5:00 P.M. MOSCOW):

BEGIN TEXT: DELEGATIONS OF THE US AND THE USSR HELD CONSULTATIONS IN HELSINKI FROM JUNE 8 THROUGH JUNE 16, 1978 TO DISCUSS QUESTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH LIMITING CERTAIN ACTIVITIES DIRECTED AGAINST SPACE OBJECTS AND INCOMPATIBLE WITH PEACEFUL RELATIONS BETWEEN STATES, INCLUDING THE MEANS AND SYSTEMS FOR CONDUCTING SUCH ACTIVITIES.

THE US DELEGATION WAS HEADED BY AMBASSADOR PAUL C. WARNKE AND THE USSR DELEGATION WAS HEADED BY AMBASSADOR OLEG N. KHLESTOV.

THE CONSULTATIONS WERE OF A PRELIMINARY NATURE, AND ENABLED EACH SIDE TO UNDERSTAND BETTER THE VIEWS OF THE OTHER ON THESE QUESTIONS.

THESE DISCUSSIONS WILL BE CONTINUED. THE EXACT DATE OF THE NEXT SESSION WILL BE DETERMINED THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS. END TEXT.
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